



Pray - Sacrifice - Build Together with God

ST. JAMES CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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Parishioners "Cast Votes" on Master Plan Design

Design Team Members Present Options and Lead Discussion

Design Team principals, Marsha Hoffman of SFS Architecture and Chris Castrop of Castrop Design Group presented St. James parishioners with a list of needs to be incorporated into the master plan that will include a new worship space. They then asked those attending to express their preferences in design options that would meet the long-term goals of the parish.

These needs include:

- ♦ Parking
- ♦ Handicap Accessibility (throughout the facility)
- ♦ Restrooms
- ♦ Larger Worship/Narthex/Meeting Space —1000 Seats (expandable to 1500)
- ♦ Larger Fellowship Hall

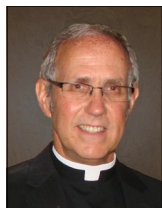
- ♦ Intimate worship space for Daily Mass
- ♦ Cry room with visibility to Worship
- ♦ Longevity of structure/materials
- ♦ Expandable design
- ♦ Tabernacle location - front and center
- ♦ True crucifix (wooden cross & corpus) relocate current icon
- ♦ Visibility from I-35 and community – Catholic Identity
- ♦ Larger Sacristy
- ♦ Statue of Blessed Virgin Mary in Alcove



- ♦ Adoration Alcove with votive (long stem perpetual adoration chapel)
- ♦ Railings/Accessibility

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From Your Pastor



"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Jeremiah 29:11

Greetings to you,

Our Town Hall meeting on June 23 was a resounding success as parishioners expressed their views about the location and design of our new church. We are doing our utmost to make this process an opportunity

for everyone in the parish to be heard.

The Master Plan is scheduled for completion by the end of August. We are scheduling a series of events so you will be able to view the new plan, talk with me and our design team and offer your comments on it.

At this time, I am asking you to do three things:

1. Read the article above about the Town Hall meeting and the recommendations for the new church.

2. Look at the Events Schedule and RSVP instructions on page 2, and select an event you can attend.
3. Continue to pray daily for our parish and the direction we should take in our planning.

In Christ,

Fr. Mike Roach

Father Mike Roach

Did You Know?

Did you know that by attending the fall campaign events...

- You will have the opportunity to meet other parishioners at St. James.
- You will see the unveiling of the Master Plan.
- You can see the focus of our capital campaign and a glimpse into the future of St. James.

Scenes from our Thank You Event



Campaign Events Schedule

Please plan to attend one of these campaign events. They are your opportunity to hear about the new plans and discuss them with the parish leaders.

Barbeque Contest Display — August 24th

PTO Meeting — August 28th (6:50 p.m.)

Dinner Event — September 11th (6:30 p.m.) Social Hall, Hosted by the Altar Society.

School Car Line — September 12th (2:00 p.m.)

After Mass Event — September 15th (5:00 p.m.) Hosted by the Knights of Columbus

After Mass Event — September 16th (7:30 a.m.) Hosted by the Stewardship Committee

Religious Education Parent Meeting — September 16th (9:15 a.m.) Hosted by the Stewardship Committee

After Mass Event — September 16th (9:15 a.m.) Hosted by the Stewardship Committee

After Mass Event — September 16th (11:00 a.m.) Hosted by the Stewardship Committee

After Mass Event — September 16th (6:00 p.m.)

Luncheon Event — September 19th (12:00 p.m.) Social Hall. Hosted by the Over 50 Group

Religious Education Parent Meeting — September 19th (6:45 p.m.)

Home Event — September 24th (7:00 p.m.) – Tom & Marcia Capps, 912 Scott Drive, Liberty, Mo.

Home Event — September 25th (7:00 p.m.) – Rena Tulipana, Park House 8790 N.E. 80th St., KCMO

Home Event — September 27th (7:00 p.m.) – Don & Debbie Taylor, 715 Westwoods Dr., Liberty, Mo.

Home Event — October 1st (7:00 p.m.) – Gary & Martha Duffin, 9620 N. Arlington, KCMO

Home Event — October 3rd (7:00 p.m.) – Troy & Marcy Sheeley, Copperleaf Club House, 9011 N. Glenwood Ave., KCMO

Home Event — October 4th (7:00 p.m.) – John & Janice Brimer, 1569 Merit Lane, Liberty, Mo.

Home Event — October 8th (7:00 p.m.) – Bob & Bridget Bagby, 811 Kings Ridge, Liberty, Mo.

There are three ways to RSVP to a campaign event.

1. Call the parish office at (816) 781-4343
2. E-mail campaign@stjames-liberty.org
3. Go to church website at www.stjames-liberty.org and click on the Campaign Info Link, then click on Events for further info and to RSVP

Our Catholic Community



Our youth members volunteer at many events and are always ready and willing to help whenever they are asked or see a need.



Our Campaign Co-Chairs—Blake and Mary Margaret Parrish

We are one of five couples serving on the leadership team of the Capital Campaign



Committee. We have been members of St. James since 1979. Blake's family has been in Liberty since 1957. Blake is the owner of a software business and Mary Margaret is an attorney here in Liberty.

As members of St. James, we have participated in many ministries. Our two children attended St. James School, so we had many opportunities

to meet fellow parishioners as we worked at school auctions, spaghetti dinners, field trips and all the other projects that come with a parochial education.

We have taken part in Sunday liturgies as Blake has been an usher and a teller and Mary Margaret has been a lector and Eucharistic minister at Mass. We have served on the finance and social action committees, donated blood, cooked food for soup kitchens and funerals, been RCIA sponsors, Confirmation leaders and Renew group members.

As our family has had baptisms, First Communions, Confirmations, weddings and funerals at St. James we have had the opportunity to meet

many wonderful people. St. James is our extended family. We have prayed, laughed, danced, cried and worked together over the years.

Our parish is such a part of our lives it is hard to imagine what it would be like without St. James. That is why we are serving with the other four couples as co-chairs of the Capital Campaign Committee. We want to be a part of the growth and future of our parish.

We hope that everyone at St. James will feel the same and join in the effort to build our new church. Please give the building campaign your prayerful consideration and support in the coming months.

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- ♦ Lighting upgrades—softer and more natural light
- ♦ Meeting rooms for small class sizes (10-20 adults)
- ♦ Larger Sacristy
- ♦ Storage! – Need everywhere
- ♦ Service to Community – Help the less fortunate with food pantry and rehab programs
- ♦ Fiscally responsibility
- ♦ Acknowledge the “Real Presence” as the real center of the Church
- ♦ Energy Efficiency/Planning ahead
- ♦ Logical Maintenance
- ♦ Geo-Thermal
- ♦ Large Gathering space
- ♦ Baptismal Font – located at worship entry
- ♦ Access off of Stewart Road
- ♦ Covered drop off/Covered walkway

- ♦ Hot /Cold Spots need remedies (Sunlight)
- ♦ Fence around play areas
- ♦ Possibility for expanding to include Daycare
- ♦ Accommodate separate daycare
- ♦ Use existing stained glass
- ♦ LEED certification potential
- ♦ Think of flexibility to make space intimate for smaller masses
- ♦ Improved acoustics

What Parishioners Said they Wanted in a New Church

Following the presentation, parishioners were asked to vote for those design elements they most wanted to see incorporated in the new church.

- ❖ A fan-shaped nave
- ❖ Architecture that relates to the past history of St. James
- ❖ Traditional and modern Catholic aesthetics
- ❖ Street appeal
- ❖ Natural light
- ❖ Use of stained glass
- ❖ Incorporate openness with a peaceful setting

